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House Resolution 979

By: Representatives Smith of the 113th, Heard of the 114th, McKillip of the 115th, Ehrhart of the 36th, Fleming of the 117th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the University of Georgia Women's Track Team; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the University of Georgia Women's Track Team claimed the school's first
- 4 Southeastern Conference indoor track and field championship in Gainesville, Florida, posting
- 5 an amazing score of 101.50 points; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Sophomore Natalie Picchetti surged from the middle of the pack at the
- 7 Southeastern Conference Indoor Championships to win her first conference title in the mile;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, Freshman Levern Spencer broke the school record in the high jump to claim the
- 10 first Southeastern Conference title of her career; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Senior Kierny Jackson soared 13 feet 3/4 inches in the pole vault to win her
- event and lead the Lady Bulldogs to their first Southeastern Conference indoor title in school
- 13 history; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Jenny Dahlgren won her first Southeastern Conference title in the weight throw
- after a throw of 73 feet, 3 1/4 inches, then unleashed a toss of 78 feet 10 1/2 inches, the
- second longest weight throw in NCAA history to win her first NCAA title for UGA; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the Lady Bulldogs edged Auburn by one point at the Southeastern Conference
- 18 Outdoor Championships; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Patricia Sylvester, who scored the most points on the women's side at the
- 20 Southeastern Conference Outdoor Championships, won SEC titles in both the triple jump and
- 21 the long jump; and

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1 WHEREAS, Junior Krista Woodward won her third Southeastern Conference Championship

- 2 in the javelin and helped her team win its second consecutive league crown; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Senior Kierney Jackson capped her career in the Southeastern Conference by
- 4 claiming the pole vault title with a jump of 13 feet, 11 inches, which remains the third-best
- 5 jump in school history; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Levern Spencer won her second straight Southeastern Conference high jump
- 7 championship during her first outdoor season with the Lady Bulldogs; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Jenny Dahlgren broke the Southeastern Conference and the NCAA records in
- 9 the hammer throw with a throw of 235 feet, 6 inches, winning an SEC outdoor title, and she
- 10 topped her own record two weeks later at the NCAA East Regional at 236 feet, 3 inches; and
- WHEREAS, Jenny Dahlgren cruised to her second NCAA Championship with a hammer
- 12 throw of 226 feet, 4 inches at the NCAA Outdoor Championships; and
- WHEREAS, the phenomenal performance of the team is a clear indication of the outstanding
- 14 athletic ability, the dedication and hard work and the unity of purpose and spirit of each
- 15 member of the team and the astute direction of Head Coach Wayne Norton; and
- WHEREAS, this magnificent team performed with precision during the season and earned
- 17 its well-deserved reputation for high standards of athletic achievement.
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 19 the members of this body commend the University of Georgia Women's Track Team for its
- 20 unparalleled achievements and extend their sincerest best wishes for continued success in the
- 21 future.
- 22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 23 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Head Coach Wayne Norton.